

REMARKS

Claims 1-72 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being allegedly anticipated by Park (U.S. Patent No. 6,725,042). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 1 of the Applicants' invention recites a method in a communication device (CD) for providing short-slot-cycle paging information to a base station (BS). The method includes determining whether the BS is capable of short-slot-cycle paging and indicating that the CD is also capable for short-slot-cycle paging if the BS is determined to be capable of short-slot-cycle paging.

As emphasized in the Office action, Col. 7, lines 45-52 of Park discloses:

Next, the mobile station performs an **idle state operation** in step 30. In the idle state, the mobile station receives overhead messages. The overhead messages include messages as illustrated in Table 1.

TABLE 1	
Message	Contents
SPM	System Parameter Message
APM	Access Parameter Message
NLM	Neighbor List Message
CCLM	CDMA Channel List Message
ESPM	Extended System Parameter Message
ENLM	Extended Neighbor List Message
GSRDM	Global Service Redirection Message
GNLM	General Neighbor List Message
UZIM	User Zone Identification Message
PNLM	Private Neighbor List Message
EGSRM	Extended Global Service Redirection Message
ECCLM	Extended CDMA Channel List Message

A careful review of the overhead messages fails to mention any information related to short-slot-cycle paging information as claimed by the Applicants. Also, Park teaches away from the Applicants' claimed invention, because there is a lot of emphasis on **extended** messages (see bold face added for emphasis above), and no mention of short-slot-cycle paging information.

Furthermore, this portion of Park is directed towards idle state operations (see bold face added for emphasis above) as contrasted with the paging operations disclosed by the Applicants.

The Office Action also refers to col. 8, lines 52-67 and col. 8, lines 1-20 as pertaining to short-slot-cycle paging. The Applicants respectfully submit that this is not an accurate characterization of the applied reference. This portion of Park refers to Extended System Parameter Message (ESPM) that is used among the overhead messages. Again, there is no mention of short-slot-cycle paging used in the same manner as claimed by the Applicants.

Also, in col. 7, lines 48-50, Park states “the mobile station compares a length of the received ESPM with a length of a preset ESPM (e.g., IS-95B length). Here, the term “IS-95B length” refers to a minimum length used to transmit the ESPM from the IS-95B base station to the mobile station.” Again, there is there is no mention of short-slot-cycle paging used in the same manner as claimed by the Applicants.

Therefore, for at least these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection be withdrawn and that claim 1 be allowed.

Claim 2-10 are dependent claims that depend upon independent claim 1 and should be allowed for at least the same reasons presented above regarding claim 1 as well as the additionally recited features found in these claims.

Claims 11, 19, 29, 37, 47, 55 and 65 are independent claims that recite related subject matter to independent claim 1 and should be allowed for at least the same reasons presented above regarding claim 1, as well as the additionally recited features found in these claims.

Claims 12-18, 20-28, 30-36, 38-46, 48-54, 56-64, and 66-72 are dependent claims that depend upon independent claims 11, 19, 29, 37, 47, 55 and 65 respectively and should be allowed for at least the same reasons presented above regarding independent claim 1 as well as the additionally recited features found in the claims.

CONCLUSION

In light of the amendments contained herein, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance, for which early action is requested.

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